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One vote this candidate is not getting

As if running for re-election wasn't stressful enough, one Winthrop Council candidate was nearly run over while campaigning.

Winthrop Town Council President Jeffrey Turco was holding campaign signs on a sidewalk with his wife and his four children Monday afternoon. That's when James Lederman, 68, of Winthrop, allegedly swerved his black Jeep toward the group.

Turco's hand hit the car as it approached, authorities said, but there were no injuries.

"My son went to bed [Monday] night asking 'Daddy, why did that man try to hit us,'" Turco said in an emotional interview with WHDH.

Turco also said that Lederman had threatened him in front of his son two days prior to the incident.

▶ Turco

Lederman pleaded not guilty during his arraignment yesterday on charges that included assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

He was released on his own recognizance and ordered to stay away from Turco and his family.

MICHAEL NAUGHTON

'Belichick' was an apparent target of dognapper in Hub

● The dog was tied up at a Boylston Street store ● Owner came back to find him gone ● Pup later returned

When Craig Pentland's dog Belichick went missing Monday night, the South End resident decided paper fliers weren't going to cut it.

Pentland turned to the Internet and social media in the search for his 5-year-old puggle, which he believed was stolen after he tied it up at a Boylston Street store during a 10-minute stop.

Craigslist ads were posted and a Facebook page titled "Find Belichick" was created. Within hours there were scores of followers reposting the plea from Pentland for any information about his dog.

Last night, about 24 hours after Belichick went missing, he was found without his collar or leash near Pentland's South End apartment by two women. They had heard about the missing dog, went to a nearby convenice store to get it some food and found Pentland's number on a flier he initally hung nearby.

"We're thrilled," Pentland said, adding that Belichick was exhausted but in good condition. "We have no idea what happened."

Pentland said that during the daylong search for his dog he received calls from nearby businesses and pet supply stores who had seen his online pleas.

"It's just the power of social media. It was able to get the word out quickly ... and the response was breathtaking."
PENTLAND

"It's just the power of social media," Pentland said. "It was able to get the word out as quickly as it did and the response was breathtaking."

The South End resident walked his dog to the Trader Joe's in the Back Bay about 7 p.m. Monday to pick up some dinner and some treats for Belichick. He tied up the dog and headed into the store. When he returned about eight minutes later the dog and its leash were gone.

"Panic. Complete and total panic," Pentland said of his mindset when not seeing his dog. "His collar was tight and I knew he hadn't gotten out."

▶ Belichick's owner says the power of social media helped bring his dog home.

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Massport: Logan parking packed

BOSTON. Nearing one of the year's most traveled holidays, parking at Logan International Airport is already getting packed.

Massport issued an advisory yesterday to help reduce vehicle trips to the airport, offering a special "Logan Express" parking rate of $22 between Nov. 6 and Nov. 18 and advising travelers to use the MBTA. METRO

Body pulled from water

QUINCY. The body of man in his early 50s was pulled from the waters near a Quincy marina yesterday.

Police responded to Captain's Cove Marina on Town River Bay about 10:15 a.m. after people found the man floating in the water.

Authorities do not suspect foul play, but the cause of death was not immediately clear. METRO

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▶ Uber Boston team member Matt Marra shows off the app in the back seat of Uber driver Abboud Greige's luxurious Cadillac.

Travel is 'Uber' convenient during Red Line closures

'Uber' is on the move and offering customers a free ride in their luxury vehicles on the weekends while Red Line trains are shut down for repairs.

The "one-touch" livery service saw the closures as a chance to get the bar-hopping public around town without having to hail a taxi or rely on the T's shuttle replacements.

"Catching a cab in Boston can suck," said Nick Mathews, a community manager for Uber. "We want to extend service to everyone who will be affected."

Mathews said the company is offering first-time users a one-time free ride in a restricted area around the Red Line on Saturdays and Sundays.

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At the polls, voters favor incumbents

Unofficial results show at-large incumbents were winners Flaherty loses spot by less than 1 percent

Despite some close calls, Boston voters ultimately decided yesterday that change isn't necessary.

Every incumbent was re-elected, including the four current at-large councilors who faced three challengers for the citywide seats.

The only new face on the 13-member Boston City Council will be Frank Baker who will replace the retiring Councilor Maureen Feeney in District 3, which includes Dorchester.

Baker bested his challenger, John O'Toole, by 12 percentage points with all but one precinct reporting.

In the race for the District 2 councilor, incumbent Bill Linehan of South Boston edged challenger and educator Suzanne Lee by 87 votes. It was unclear when a recount might take place for that race.

One familiar face who did not make the cut was former councilor Michael Flaherty. He attempted to mount a comeback to the council after a failed attempt to unseat Mayor Thomas Menino.

He had a good, but not good enough showing, in this election and missed earning his seat back by less than 1 percentage point or about 1,000 votes.

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▶ Polling place

Top finishers

Boston's at-large council candidates with 99 percent of the precincts reporting:

- Ayanna Pressley, 21.42%
- Felix Arroyo, 20.26%
- John Connolly, 18.74%
- Stephen Murphy, 15.25%
- Michael Flaherty, 14.73%
- Will Dorcena, 4.98%
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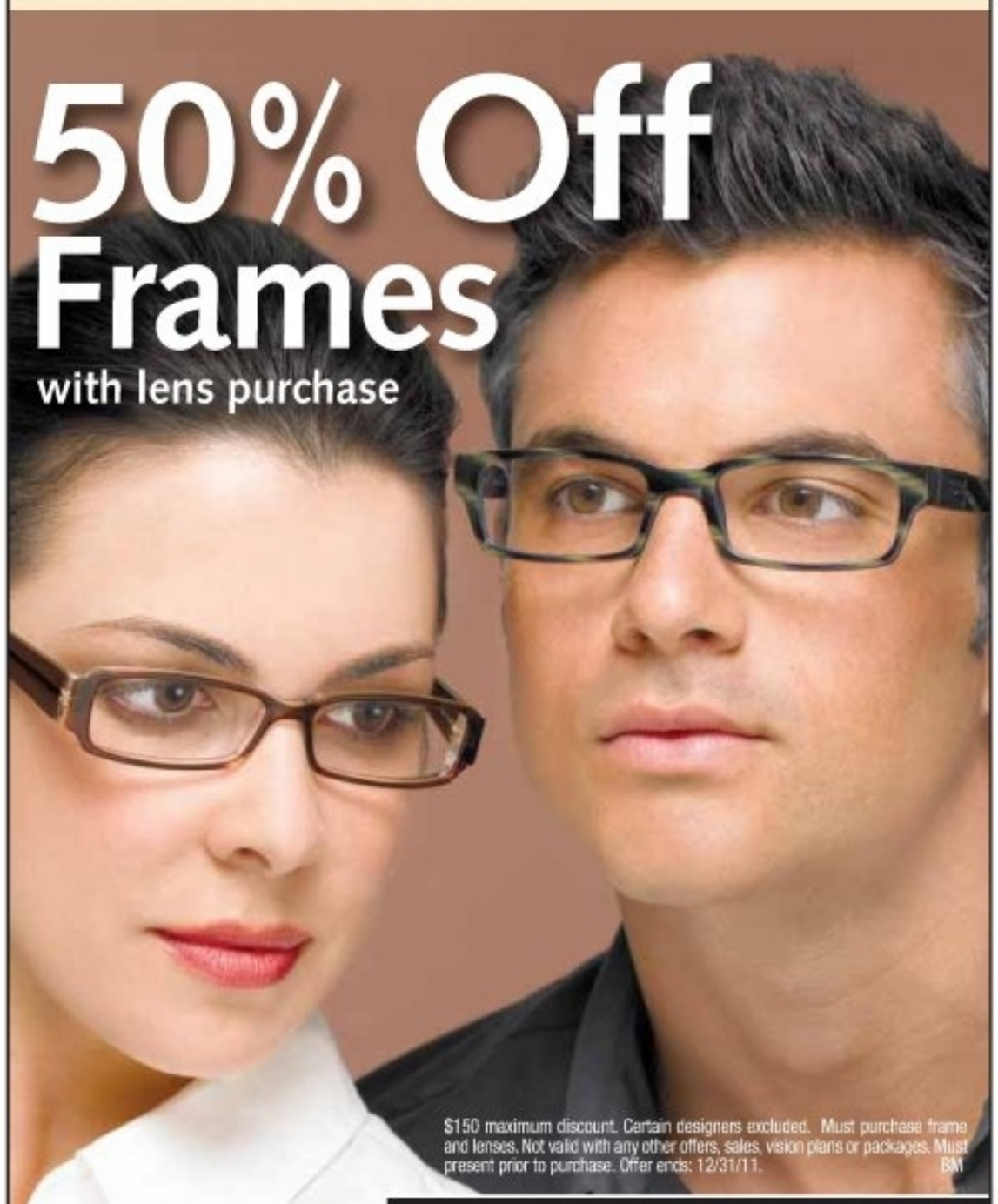

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North Zone Schools
Wednesday, November 16
6:00 - 8:00 PM
Boston Latin School
78 Avenue Louis Pasteur, Boston
Two blocks from the Green Line's Longwood Avenue T Stop.

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Saturday, November 19
12:00 - 3:00 PM
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75 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury
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Boston Dynamics is robot breeding ground

Local company manufactures lifelike robots ◗ Designs are used to test military supplies ◗ Human features allow for increased mobility and agility

It can run, squat, go up steps and do push-ups, but it isn't human — it's PETMAN, an anthropomorphic robot developed by Boston Dynamics to test military gear.

And its life-like abilities are putting the future of robotics on the map.

"We have an extensive team of robotics rock stars here," said Marc Raibert, president of the company.

Made up of mechanical and electronics engineers as well as programmers and robot behavior specialists, Boston Dynamic is a spin-off from MIT where the company founders first developed robots that maneuvered like animals.

Animal instincts

- **RiSE:** A robot that climbs vertical terrain such as walls.
- **CHEETAH:** A cat-like design that cuts corners like a race car.
- **BigDog:** A rough-terrain robot that walks, runs, climbs and carries heavy loads.

Raibert said it took the team two years to complete PETMAN, commissioned for the Department of Defense to test special clothing used by military personnel.

"Beyond that, there are all sorts of chores a robot like PETMAN can do," said Dr. Robert Playter, VP of Engineering. "[From] repairing the damaged Fukashima reactors, or going anywhere that was designed for human access but is too dangerous for people to safely work."

On Oct. 30, the company released a video of the lifelike robot, showing it doing various exercises.

In days, it went viral.

But this is just the beginning for the company's 60-person robotics team.

In February, they received funding for an accelerated version of the PETMAN model.

The team of engineers is putting all the parts together to build ATLAS, a "humanoid with two arms and two legs that will climb and maneuver in rough terrain to achieve human-like agility."

Some of the ATLAS model's key features will be its use of speed and mobility, using momentum to overcome obstacles.

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New Cain motto: Nein, nein, nein!

Herman Cain defiantly denied sexual harassment allegations against him yesterday and vowed they would not force him to withdraw from the race for the 2012 Republican presidential nomination.

"Ain't going to happen," Cain said, referring to the chances of giving up his presidential bid. "We will get through this."

Cain spoke at a news conference to respond to Sharon Bialek, a Chicago woman who went public on Monday with allegations that Cain made a crude sexual advance against her in 1997 when he was head of the National Restaurant Association. She is the fourth woman to accuse him of sexual harassment.

Cain denied ever having seen Bialek until she appeared on television with her lawyer Gloria Allred to lay out allegations that he insisted "simply did not happen." REUTERS

49%

Forty-nine percent of Republicans view presidential candidate Herman Cain less favorably after watching a video in which a woman accuses him of groping her in a car, according to a Reuters/Ipsos poll.

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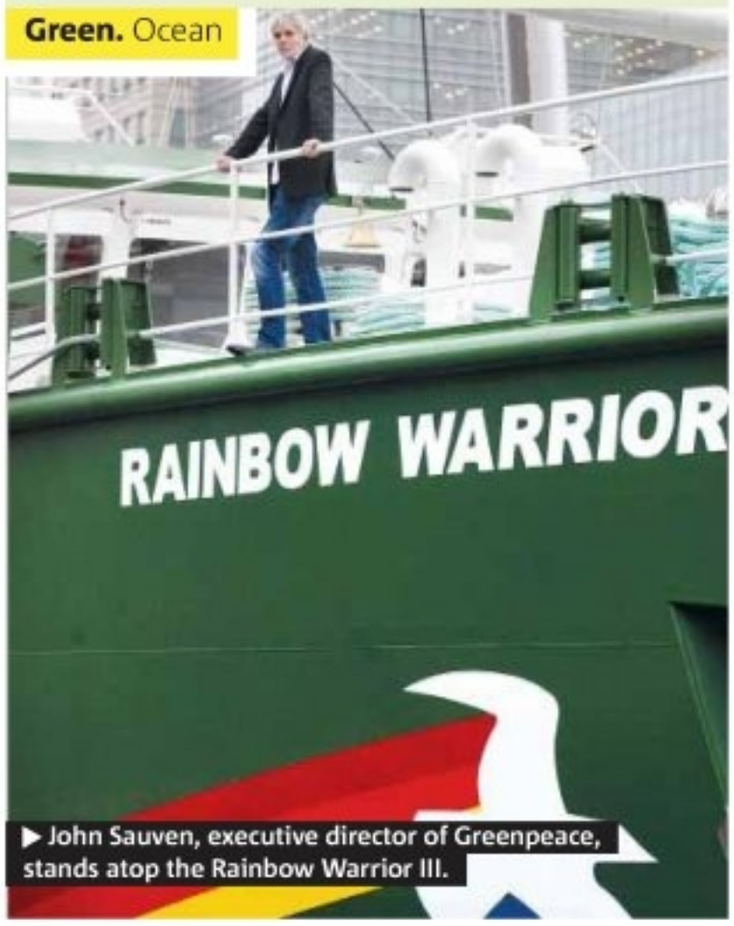

▶ John Sauven, executive director of Greenpeace, stands atop the Rainbow Warrior III.

Environment on the go

The Rainbow Warrior III — captained by the environmental charity Greenpeace — has completed its maiden voyage from Amsterdam.

Sarkozy mic gaffe: Calls fellow leader 'a liar'

PARIS. French President Nicolas Sarkozy branded Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu "a liar" in a private conversation with U.S. President Barack Obama that was accidentally broadcast to journalists during last week's G20 summit in Cannes.

"I cannot bear Netanyahu, he's a liar," Sarkozy told Obama, unaware that the microphones in the room had been switched on.

"You're fed up with him, but I have to deal with him even more often than you," Obama replied, according to the French interpreter.

The technical gaffe is likely to cause embarrassment to all three leaders as they look to work together to intensify international pressure on Iran. REUTERS

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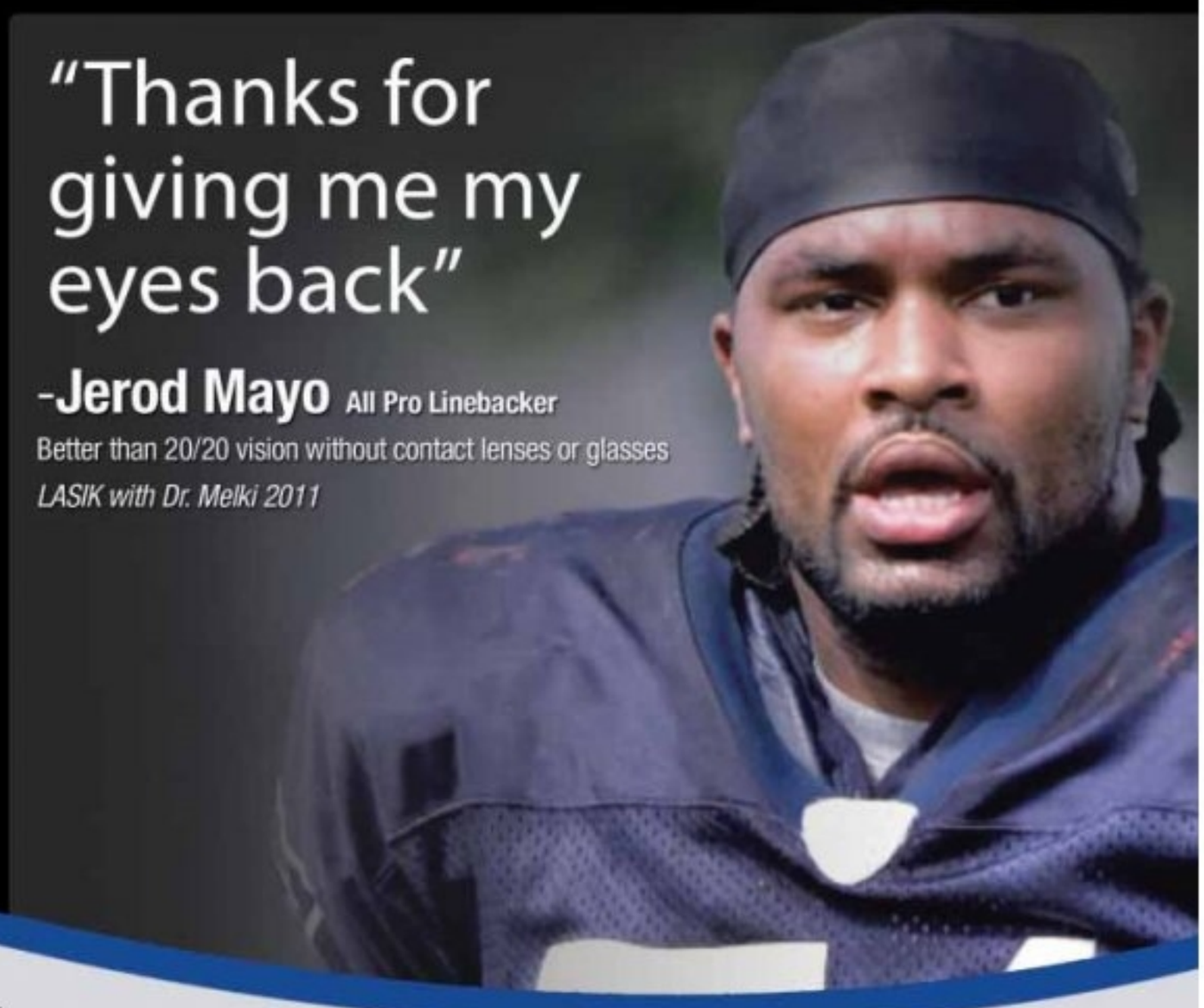

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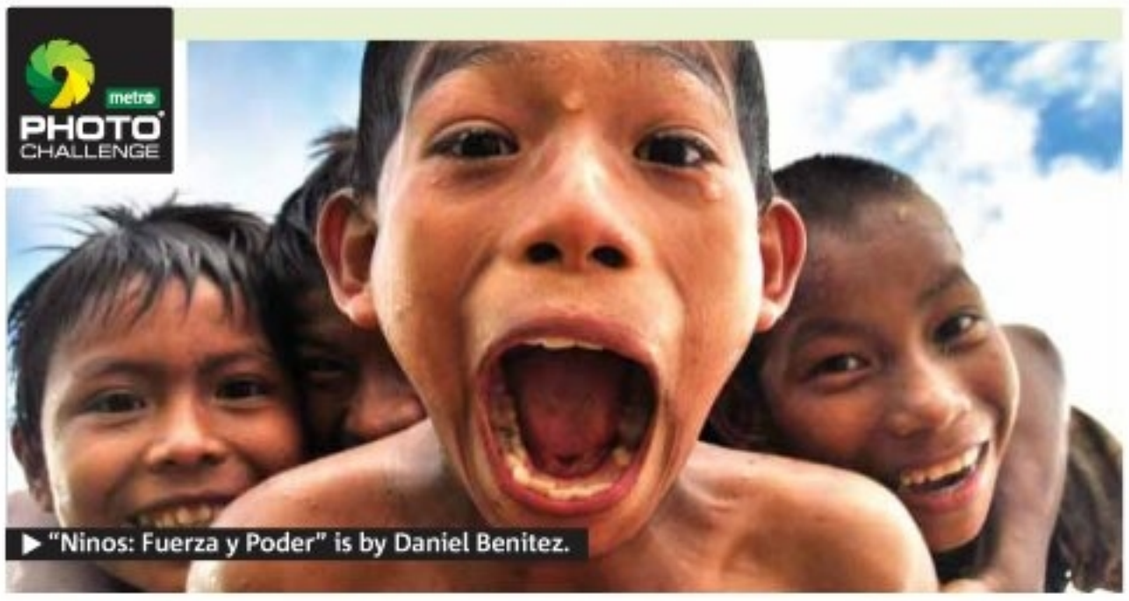

▶ "Ninos: Fuerza y Poder" is by Daniel Benitez.

Metro photo of the day

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First fur ban in W. Hollywood

Putting animal rights over fashion imperatives and its own vibrant shopping scene, West Hollywood's leaders have given final approval to a first-in-the-nation ban on the sale of fur clothing within city limits. The five-member City Council of the tiny municipality wedged between Beverly Hills and Hollywood voted 3-1 with one abstention yesterday to approve the ordinance, said City Councilman John Heilman, who voted no. REUTERS

Religion important to voters, poll finds

- Beliefs can be different than their own, but must exist
- 67% would be uncomfortable with atheist as president

Two-thirds of Americans believe it is important for a presidential candidate to have strong religious beliefs, even if those beliefs are different than their own, a survey released yesterday found.

The survey of Americans' attitudes by the nonpartisan Public Religion Research Institute found only one in five Americans would object to a candidate whose beliefs were different to their own.

When asked about specific religious faiths and the presidency, 29 percent of Americans would be uncomfortable with an evangelical Christian in the job, 53 percent would be uncomfortable with a Mormon, 64 percent with a Muslim and 67 percent would be uncomfortable with an atheist as president.

Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman are Mormons running for president. The remaining Republican candidates are Christian, with some espousing strong beliefs.

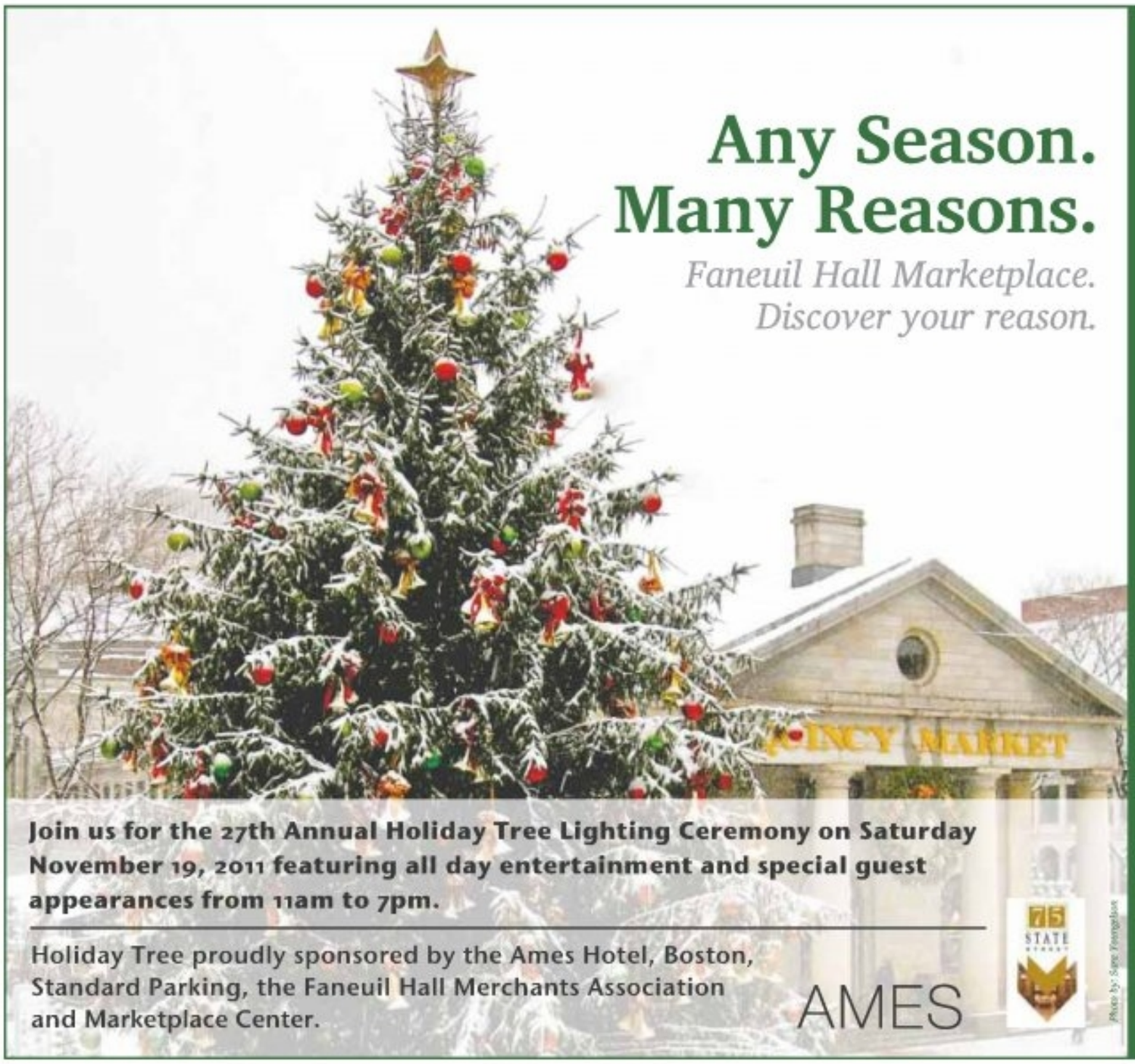
Romney and businessman Herman Cain, a baptist, lead the pack in national polls.

Eight in 10 Americans believe creating jobs is the nation's most important priority, the survey found, while six in 10 said reducing the government budget deficit is critical. REUTERS

On Obama

President Barack Obama was seen by 44 percent of those polled as having good ideas about how to create jobs, compared to 35 percent backing the approach of Republican leaders in Congress.

Opinions of Obama showed 28 percent pronounced themselves "satisfied" and 5 percent "excited" about his presidency, while 26 percent felt "worried" and 10 percent felt "angry." Nearly one in three felt "disappointed" in his presidency.



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Job openings hit a post-2008 high

- Market looks better for the masses of unemployed
- But lack of skills may keep some collecting benefits

If you're looking for proof that the labor market is recovering, here it is.

There were 3.4 million job openings in the U.S. in September, an increase of 300,000 from the month before and the highest number since mid-2008, according to government data released yesterday.

That still falls short of the peak of 4.8 million job openings in March 2007, six months before the recession officially began, but it represents an increase of 1.2 million jobs over the lowest period in July 2009.

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The US skills gap

Hiring has gradually increased with some 4.2 million Americans finding work in September, up 22 percent from October 2009, but the number of new hires has been sluggish in part because many companies have complained of a skills gap among those applying.

- So even though there are more job openings, many are going unfilled because too many potential candidates don't have the education and skills necessary to do the job.
- Still, the increasing demand for new hires among U.S. businesses can only be a good thing in the long run for job hunters.

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In September, there were 4.2 out-of-work Americans for each job opening — an improvement over the worst of the recession in June 2009 when there were 6.1 unemployed people for each available job.

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Politics. Euro zone

▶ Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi faces his 54th vote of confidence in parliament since his 2008 election.

Italian PM to resign?

Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi will resign following a humiliating vote in parliament yesterday, President Giorgio Napolitano said. The president said after meeting Berlusconi that the 75-year-old prime minister would step down as soon as parliament passed urgent reforms demanded by euro zone leaders to cut Italy's huge debt. REUTERS

Holidays come early for buyers

WASHINGTON. Credit card issuers are bumping up their rewards for the holiday shopping season as they seek to lure consumers away from debit cards and competitors. For shoppers with decent credit scores, this can provide the opportunity to pick up extra cash or miles while they do their gift shopping.

"The rewards have become very, very attractive in terms of cash back and travel," said Bill Hardekopf of LowCards.com. "Issuers have stepped up the rewards because it's now more lucrative for the banks for you and me to use our credit cards instead of our debit cards."

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THE WORD

Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

Melissa McCarthy: Don't fear the jumpsuit

After she took the stage to launch Ivory Soap's new "Soap Dish" Facebook community for moms in New York City on Tuesday night — and was presented with a giant bar of Ivory carved in her likeness — **Melissa McCarthy** took a few moments to chat with Metro about the possibility of a sequel to "Bridesmaids," the summer blockbuster that made her a household name.

"[It's a] yes for me, [but I] don't know that it's happening," she told us. "I'll basically show up anywhere with those women — even if it's, like, a long bus trip, I'll go with them — but no talk of it yet. I think everyone's so busy. But I wouldn't mind it down the road just because I love that group."

McCarthy is indeed keeping very busy. Not only did she win an Emmy this year for her sitcom "Mike and Molly," but she's also developing her own clothing line for plus-sized women. "It's so preliminary right now. I know I want a jumpsuit in it. I'm not afraid of it. I love a jumpsuit."

McCarthy attended Tuesday night's "Soap Dish" event in New York City.

And when we asked if she's creating the line to be a role model for girls who aren't a size zero, the awesome actress just laughs. "No, I think I'm just selfishly making it for myself!" She elaborates: "I want separates, for the love of God, because everything's like a bad prom dress. You can find a million bad sleeveless dresses in satin. I'm like, 'Where's a good blouse and great trouser?'"

—With additional reporting by Meredith Engel

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DOROTHY ROBINSON'S WORD BLOG

ELIZABETH HALL

▶ Is there a direct correlation between high gas prices and the Duggars breeding?

Like the Brady Bunch ... but on steroids

Someone please stop **Michelle** and **Jim Bob Duggar**. The reality TV couple and human rabbits announced yesterday on "Today" they are expecting their 20th child this spring — this after their 19th baby, Josie, was born at only 25 weeks and survived a host of expensive and life-threatening medical problems. Michelle also suffered preeclampsia and gallbladder problems through that pregnancy.

"We are so excited," said Michelle, 45, who is three and a half months into her new pregnancy.

Jim Bob, 46, echoed his wife's sentiments, saying, "Michelle and I both feel like some of the most blessed parents in the world."

"We didn't want to stop on an odd number," he added.

Whew. Here I thought they wouldn't have a good, medical reason for putting Michelle's life at risk and adding to an already crowded world. Being particular about an odd versus even number is totally logical.

The feed ...

Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Elizabeth Banks is exploring local options, Alec Baldwin in encouraging violence and Jessica Alba is starstruck.

@ElizabethBanks
I love Whole Foods but man, Calvin's Bocage Market is my new Baton Rouge go-to. Chicken salad, yes please.

@AlecBaldwin
gotta new phone. But I still wanna find the guy who stole my old 1 yesterday. He really inconvenienced me. Ask him why. Then stomp him.

@jessicaalba
The beautiful and talented Naomi Watts was on my flight - gosh I love her, she's not just a great actress but a genuinely lovely person

Banks

Talking points

Hugh likes Lohan

Hugh Hefner is excited about **Lindsay Lohan**'s upcoming appearance in Playboy, saying the actress' all-revealing photo spread is "classy, very classy," he tells "The Insider." "It's a classic tribute inspired by the original **Tom Kelly** nude pictorial of **Marilyn Monroe**, a portion of which was the original playmate in the very first issue of Playboy." And apparently readers will be treated to Lohan's words as well. "The pictorial is absolutely fantastic and very tasteful," Lohan's rep says, "and will be accompanied by an interview that will let readers see another side of Lindsay."

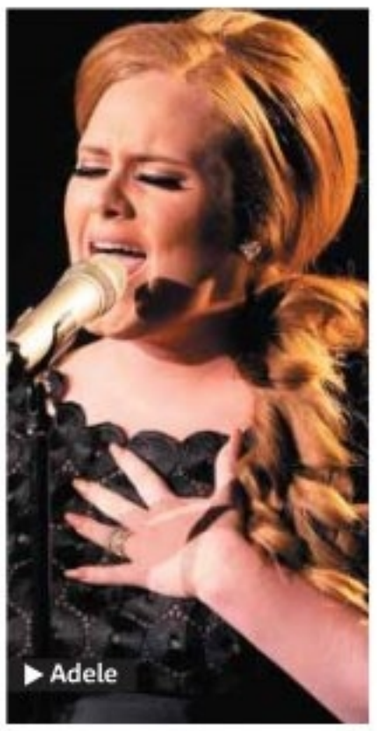
Chastain lands another role

Jessica Chastain has been cast as **Princess Diana** in "Caught in Flight," a film about her alleged affair with heart surgeon **Dr. Hasnat Khan**, IndieWire reports. According to a press release, the film is "a love story between a princess locked in a tower and an ordinary man," and is set to begin filming in Pakistan, Angola and France in March 2012. Diana is said to have had a two-year affair with Khan leading up to her death in 1997.

▶ Chastain

Adele should be singing in no time

Adele has undergone surgery to repair her damaged vocal chords and is said to be recovering nicely, according to Rolling Stone. Her doctor "expects Adele to make a full recovery from her laser microsurgery," according to a statement from Massachusetts General Hospital's Voice Center. The singer was forced to cancel the remainder of her concerts and appearances due to a hemorrhaged vocal chord.



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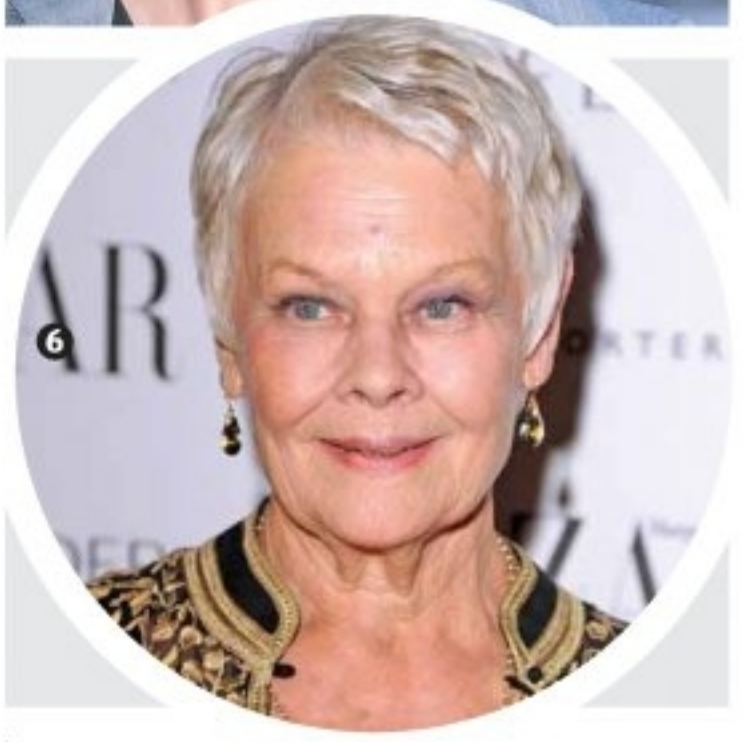

1: Zooey Deschanel, who announced her separation from musician Ben Gibbard last week, was seen at TV Guide Magazine's Annual Hot List Party at Greystone Mansion Supperclub in Beverly Hills, Calif. on Monday.

2: A longtime activist of women's rights, acclaimed author Gloria Steinem (who was still looking great at 77), was also seen at the award ceremony on Monday. Steinem was given the distinguished honor of the Lifetime Achievement Award.

3: Henry Cavill, who plays the lead in the film "Immortals," attended the movie's premiere at Nokia Theatre L.A. in Los Angeles, Calif, on Monday. "Immortals" is due for release this Friday.

4: Jennifer Lopez attended the 21st annual Glamour Women of the Year Awards at Carnegie Hall in New York City on Monday, where she was one of the 12 women who was honored with the accolade.

5: Michael Buble, who recently released his latest Christmas-themed album, was sighted in New York City on Monday.

6: Across the Atlantic, showbiz veteran Judi Dench was also the recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award, given out by Harper's Bazaar at the magazine's Women of the Year Awards 2011 in London on Monday.

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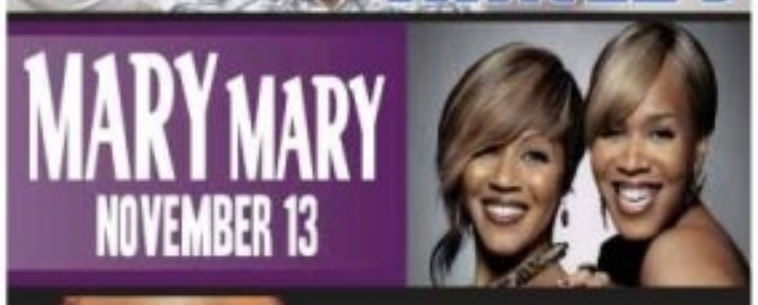

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5 Things to know about 'Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3'

The year's most anticipated video game hit shelves yesterday For those who haven't been playing nonstop since then, here's why it's such a big deal

When we say it's the biggest game of the year, we mean it

In fact, this could be the best-selling game of all time, beating the previous record-holder, last year's "Call of Duty: Black Ops," which racked up more than $1.5 billion in sales. That's more than the worldwide gross of any film ever, save for "Titanic" and "Avatar."

So what's the game about? World War III, basically

Like any good blockbuster, New York, Paris and London are among the cities terrorized, turning into virtual battlegrounds — and Russia is an antagonist. In single-player mode, it's up to you to stop the threats. In multiplayer mode, you can team up to help or just shoot the hell out of someone else.

COURTESY OF ACTIVISION

▶ The world needs saving from the comfort of your couch again in the new first-person shooter video game "Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3."

Celebrities are involved!

"Grey's Anatomy" star **Kevin McKidd** voices a Task Force Captain, and character actor **William Fichtner** ("Armageddon") and **Corey Stoll** (Hemingway in "Midnight in Paris") play Delta Force ops.

The Activision title goes beyond the box

The service "Call of Duty: Elite" logs your stats and allows for social networking; a premium version leads to actual real-life prizes and more.

Don't confuse this with 'Battlefield 3'

The other recently released big combat game, from EA games, also involves nuclear terrorism, multiplayer battle and scenes in Iran, Paris and New York. Both titles have rabid fan bases. But an analyst told Forbes he expects "Battlefield 3" to sell eight million copies. "Modern Warfare 3"? Sixteen million. METRO

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1: Sophie Hulme for ASOS sweater, $117, www.asos.com

2: Jason Wu jumper, $1,195, www.netaporter.com

Miss Piggy is having her fashion moment

The one and only Miss Piggy is back! After appearing at the oh-so-cool Opening Ceremony Fashion's Night Out party in September, the glamorous icon is making waves in the fashion world again. This time, she's joining forces with MAC for a limited-edition, online-exclusive collection launching Nov. 14. The line, which will showcase the flirtatious diva's trademark beauty tricks, includes a pink frosted eye shadow ($15), a black eye liner ($18) and come-hither fake lashes ($15). Everything a girl needs to land the man — or frog — of her dreams.

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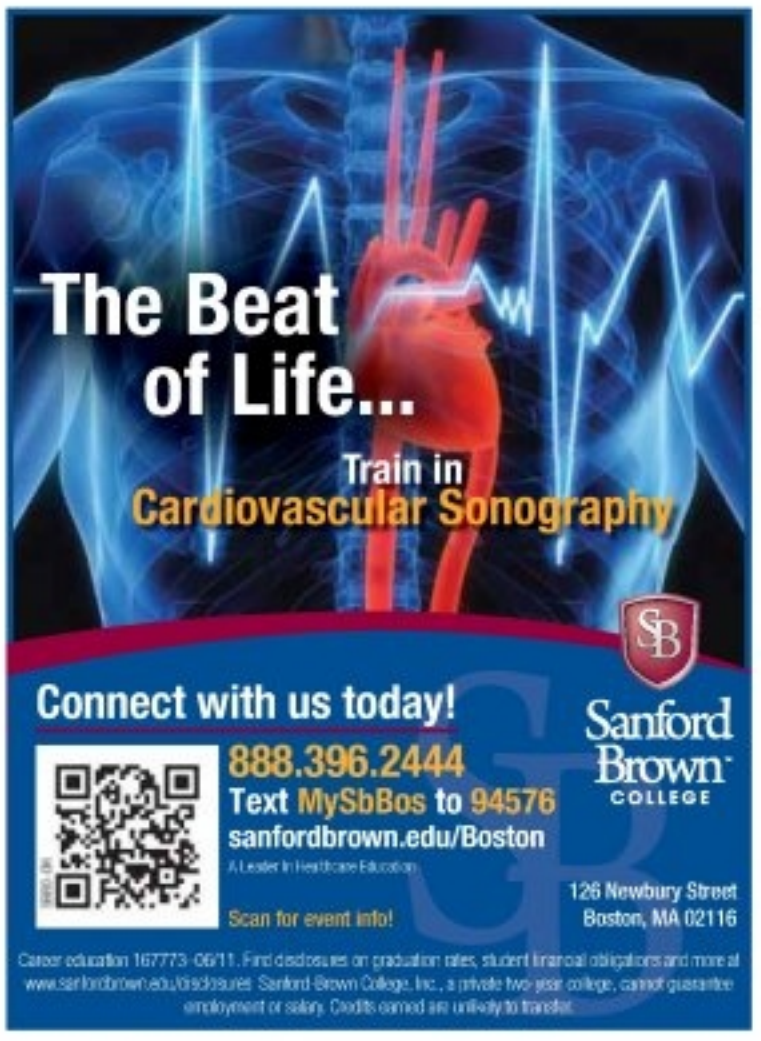

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What's the story behind all of those mustaches?

November is here, and so is Movember Guys, your facial hair can make a difference 'It started as a social experiment,' says founder

You might be noticing a larger-than-usual number of men growing mustaches this month. Welcome to Movember, the annual campaign for raising awareness and funds for prostate and other male cancers. Now in its fifth year in the U.S., Movember started as a joke in Australia in 2003, when Adam Garone — Movember's CEO and co-founder — along with his brother and a friend were lamenting the death of the '70s mustache. The trio dared each other to grow a mustache and keep it for an entire month. And what's in a name? Mo is Aussie slang for mustache.

"It started as a social experiment, and then we legitimized it by adding a cause," says Garone, who now lives in Santa Monica, CA. "We were inspired with what women were doing to raise awareness about breast cancer. Prostate cancer is the male equivalent of [female] breast cancer in mortality rate."

In 2010, nearly 65,000 participants started November clean-shaven and grew a mustache for 30 days, raising $7.5 million for the Prostate Cancer Foundation and LiveStrong, the Lance Armstrong Foundation, which are Movember's U.S. men's health partners.

"A mustache starts a conversation," Garone says. "There's a reticence in many countries to acknowledge prostate cancer. The mustache adds this fun, rebellious aspect to it. We want men to talk about prostate cancer. Men at my age, 40, need to start getting tested."

COURTESY OF MOVEMBER

▶ Prostate cancer hits one in every six men. Adam Garone, the founder of Movember, is trying to do something about that.

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The go-to guide

Dr. Aaron Katz's new book, "The Definitive Guide to Prostate Cancer," looks at diet and treatment options — both traditional and holistic.

"I spend every day, every week with prostate cancer," says Katz, the founder and director of the Center for Holistic Urology at Columbia University. "Thirty-five thousand men die annually from prostate cancer. Men need to stop being afraid of getting tested or getting treated."

No 'stache required

TOMS Shoes has teamed up with Movember to launch shoes benefiting the cause. You can purchase both Grey Black Waxed Twill Botas and Classics emblazoned with the signature Movember mustache. And in true TOMS fashion, for every purchase made, a pair of new shoes will be donated to an underprivileged child. The shoes come in both men's and women's sizes, so ladies can lend a hand too.

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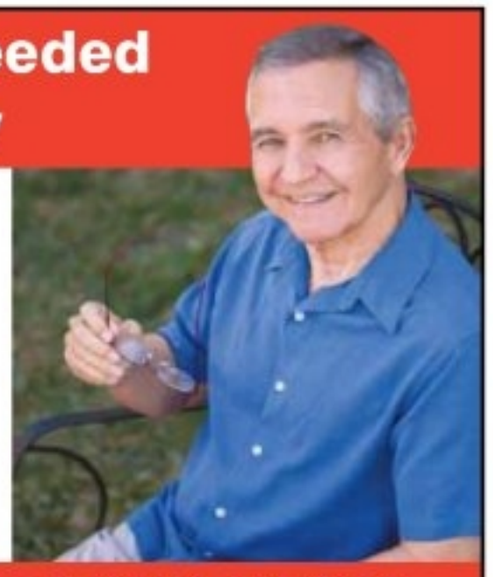

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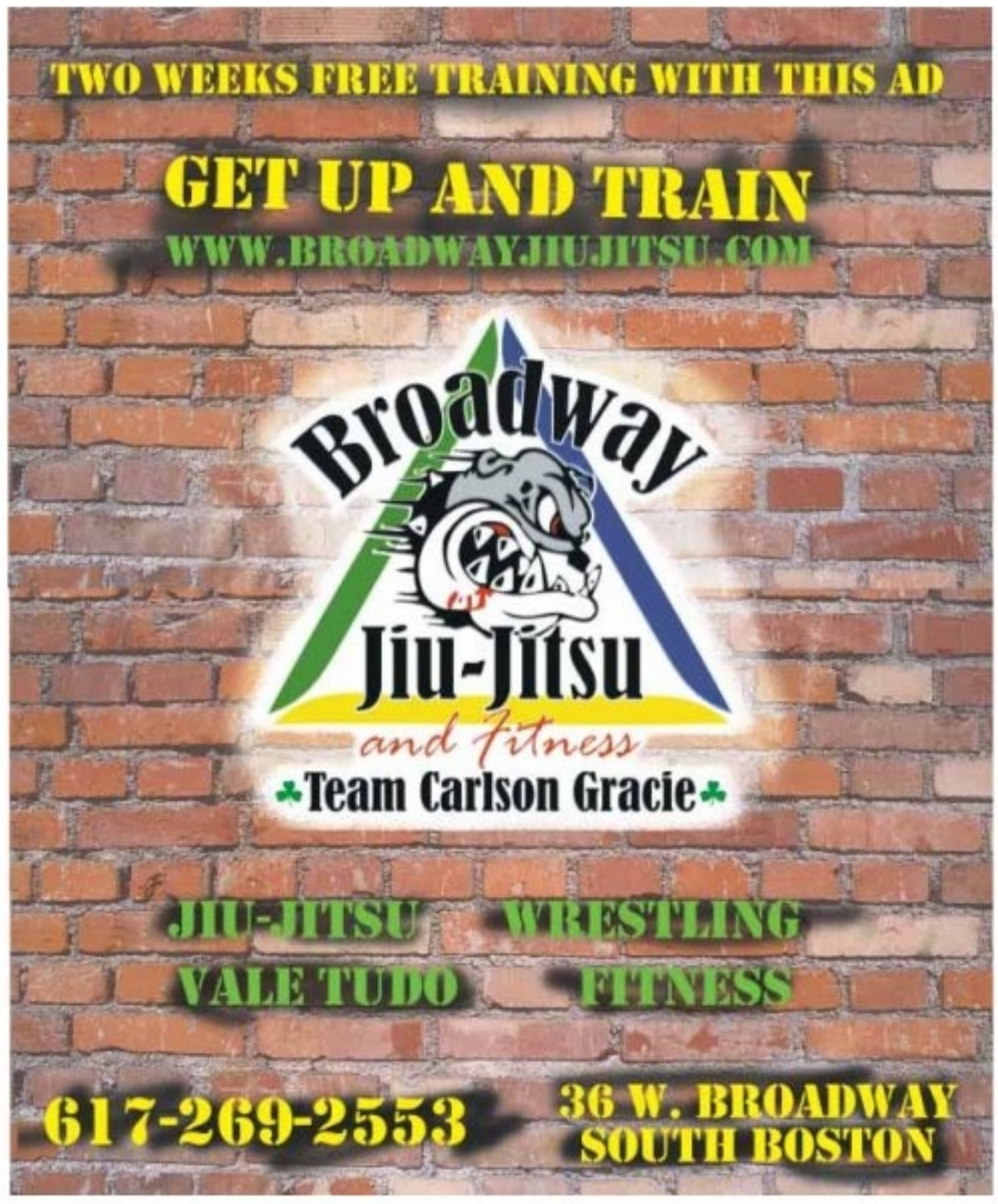

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MJ: The cult of irresponsibility

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DAVID DIBELLO, VIA E-MAIL

New Cain on the block

RE: "CAIN ACCUSED OF GROPING": Even if the allegations by that chick who looks like Christie Brinkley's evil twin are true, then Herman Cain is in good company. His alleged penchant for the ladies pales in comparison to lotharios such as Bill Clinton and Martin Luther King Jr. **MICHAEL CHIMENTI, VIA E-MAIL**

I don't know if Herman Cain is my top choice for president; I need to know more about his character. What I know for sure is that if it came to deciding between Cain and Obama, the issue is clear — I'd vote for anyone over a man who has done everything in his power to diminish our economy and national security.
JOSEPH DUPONT, VIA E-MAIL

It's a sad comment on the reality show mentality of this country that Herman Cain's clumsy sexual advances have caused his problems — not his extremely dangerous economic and social policies.
PAUL SIMONS, VIA E-MAIL

No reason to complain, OWS

Instead of standing around complaining, Occupy Wall Streeters should ditch their tents and pick up a briefcase. It took me a year to find a decent, paying job after college — but after 500 resumes I managed to land three offers. Coming from a poor background, I had to take on a lot of debt; but I am now confident I'll be able to pay it back. America is still the land of opportunity.
MICHAEL GOLFMAN, VIA E-MAIL

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Horoscope

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Important matters you negotiate will work out to everyone's satisfaction if you get everyone playing off the same sheet notes. Show them how to make beautiful music together.
♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Two ambitions that have been looking questionable can easily be fulfilled if you keep your eyes on the prize. Focus will be the key to your success.
♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Being a bit of a risk-taker can be both good and bad, depending on how you handle things. If you gamble on yourself, it'll be OK, but wagering on others could be another story.
♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** If you have an important matter hanging fire, it behooves you to press for closure while things are going your way. Don't hesitate to be firm.
♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** You have a special ability to sway others to your way of thinking and doing things. You can easily convince them to back you in whatever you choose.
♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Don't waste the day playing or doing nothing, because it could be one of your better times for developing financial and material opportunities. Make hay while the sun shines.
♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Whether you're the quiet type or one who makes a lot of noise, your presence is apt to be far more strongly felt than usual. You're likely to make a statement that won't go unnoticed.
♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Being both pragmatic and prudent gives you an edge in dealing with financial conditions. This is clearly a day to sit down and work on money-making possibilities.
♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** You may need reminding how essential it is to be hopeful regarding the outcomes of important matters. Positive thinking will work wonders.
♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Don't shy away from competitive situations, because challenges stimulate you to accomplish big things. Lady Luck will get involved in your interests.
♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** In order to spur you onward, you should find some challenging outlets that stimulate you both physically and mentally. It'll be just such kinds of situations that can encourage you.
♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** This could be an extremely productive day for you, but not necessarily from your own doing. You're likely to be in the right spot at the right time to profit from the activities of others.
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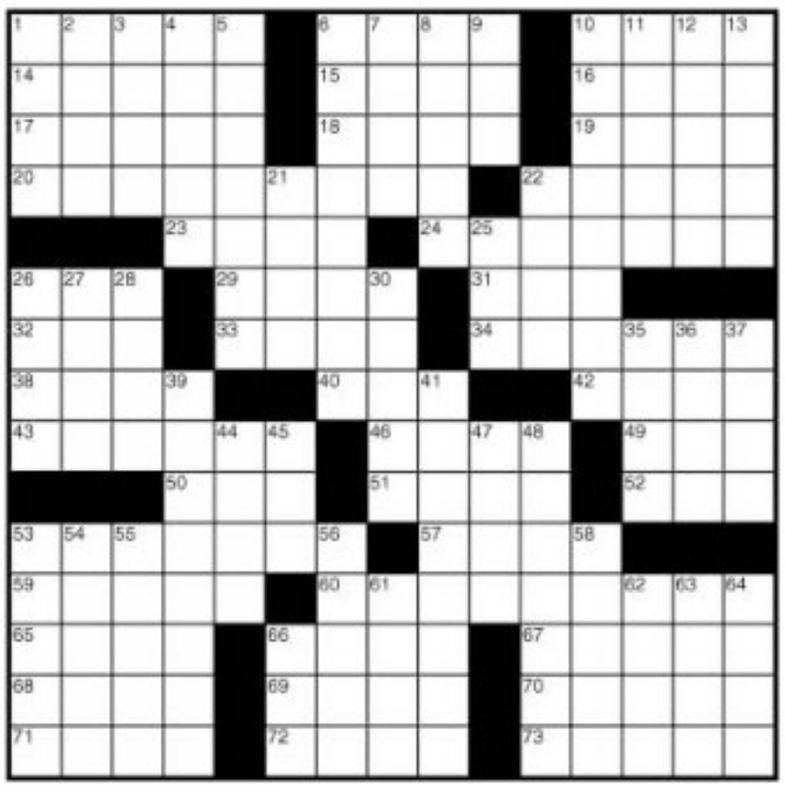

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Haynesworth out as Pats reshuffle D-line

Chalk DL's short tenure in Foxborough up to a lost gamble The 350-pounder was just excess baggage

It looks like the "sleeping giant" will get plenty of shuteye.

The Albert Haynesworth era is over in New England, as the team placed the defensive lineman on waivers yesterday, ending what was ultimately a failed experiment.

The Pats traded a 2013 fifth-round pick to the Redskins for Haynesworth. It's a deal that — at the time — seemed like it could pay dividends.

It didn't.

Haynesworth missed two regular-season games with a back injury, and — to take a word from Darrelle Revis' vocabulary — was pretty much a slouch for the rest of them.

3 Haynesworth made just three tackles — and zero sacks — in six games with the Patriots. Consider that a gamble lost.

When he was asked why Haynesworth sat out most of the second half of Sunday's loss to the Giants, Bill Belichick said it was a "rotation-related."

The point, reading between the lines: Haynesworth had fallen out of it.

As soon as the Pats got a healthy Ron Brace back, combined with the emergence of Kyle Love, the 350-pound Haynesworth became nothing more than excess baggage.

In the end, he made just three tackles this season — and reportedly got into an animated discussion with defensive line coach Pepper Johnson on Sunday.

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▶ The Albert Haynesworth experiment is over.

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November more like it for Cup defenders

Bruins have won three straight to bounce back after ugly October ‘We’re getting there,’ Bergeron says

What’s next

The Bruins have four home games in a row, starting tomorrow.

Tomorrow
The Oilers are in town. They carried an 8-3-2 record into last night’s all-Canadian showdown with Montreal.

Saturday
The Sabres hit the Garden, bringing with them superstar goaltender Ryan Miller.

Tuesday, Nov. 15
Ilya Kovalchuk leads the Devils to the Hub. Maybe we’ll even see Martin Brodeur!

Thursday, Nov. 17
Time for an automatic win against the Blue Jackets.

An October hangover has given way to a November honeymoon.

After slogging through a three-win month to begin their defense of the Stanley Cup, the Bruins now have three wins in three games to start November.

And so, despite their 3-7 start, the Bruins are poised to reach .500 tomorrow night against Edmonton at Garden — and perhaps surpass the mark with three home games to follow.

“We’re getting there,” Patrice Bergeron said after Monday’s 6-2 victory over the Islanders. “Obviously we can always get better, but I think the past [three] games is the way we’re supposed to play.”

“No reason for us to kind of put ourselves in cruise now.”
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After being outscored 25-22 during their first 10 games, the Bruins have beaten Ottawa, Toronto and the Islanders by a combined score of 18-5 during their three-game winning streak.

Monday’s victory was especially vital, kicking off the five-game homestand by continuing their high-scoring ways after losing five of seven home games in October.

“We talked about how important that was,” coach Claude Julien said. “We’d won a couple of games in a row, and this was an opportunity to start the week off on the right foot and build through it.”

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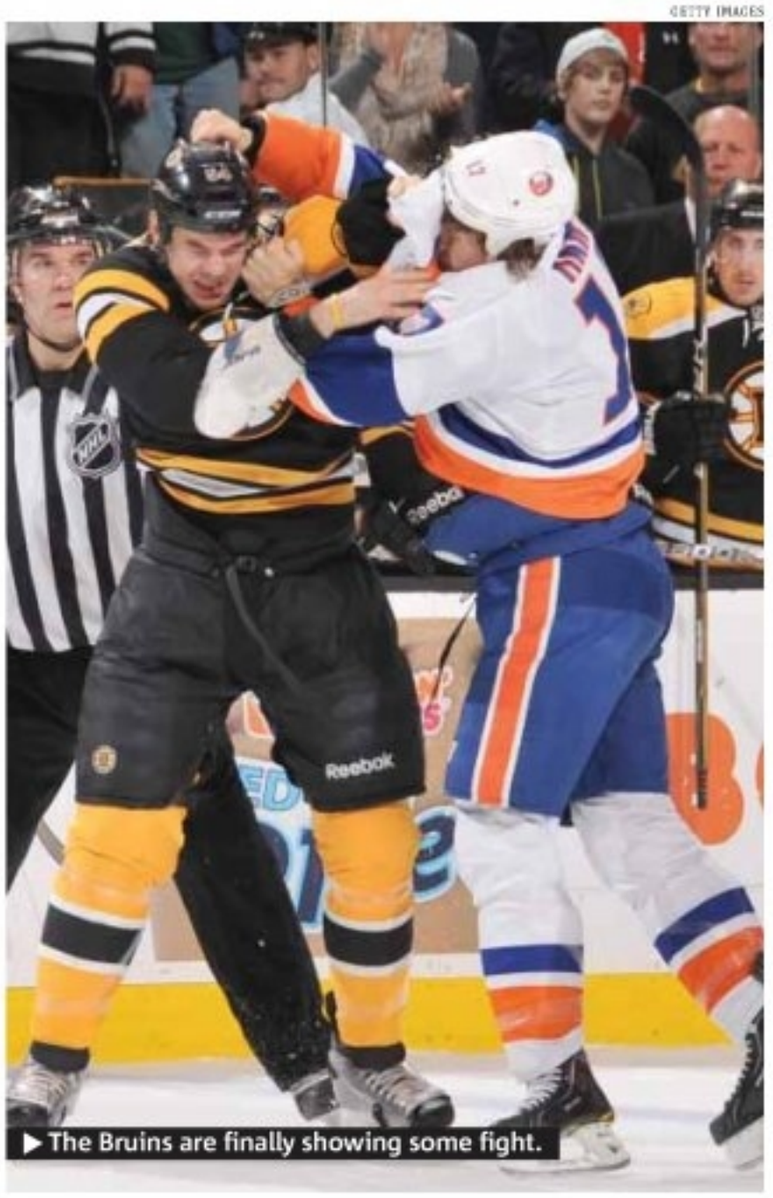

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AROUND MLB

Francona to the Cards?

Former Red Sox manager Terry Francona has interviewed for the St. Louis Cardinals' vacant managerial position, according to online reports yesterday.

Francona's contract was not renewed in Boston after a horrific collapse — you might remember it.

The Cards, meanwhile, won the World Series before longtime manager Tony La Russa's retirement.

Mike Matheny, Joe McEwing and Chris Maloney have also been interviewed for the St. Louis job. The Cardinals will reportedly meet with Jose Oquendo and Ryne Sandberg today.

Here in Boston, the Sox have reportedly added Blue Jays first base coach Torey Lovullo and Detroit bench coach Gene Lamont to their list of managerial interviewees. METRO

Only some holdouts worth those big bucks

National analysis

Go ahead: Try telling your employer you're not working until you get a new contract.

Your next call will be to the unemployment office.

But that's not really how it works for NFL stars. And they usually get their way.

That's good for them, but dangerous for teams.

Tennessee's Chris Johnson is Exhibit A of the downside of caving to keep a star happy.

In the past, Johnson was a thrilling player who rewrote the NFL record books. After a holdout, with a new contract, he's been an afterthought.

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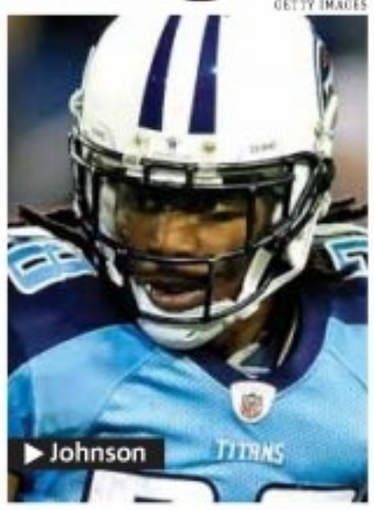

▶ Johnson

Of course, it's not always bad. Darrelle Revis got a restructured deal after a 2010 holdout, and it's been a fantastic move for the Jets.

This offseason, many players will again threaten to hold out if they don't get a new contract. If you were a general manager, which would you give one to?

That's just something to ponder. JOE FELL

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The table is set

Floral design star Michael Gaffney shows us how to turn corner store stems into a fancy centerpiece

Sure, you've cooked for three days straight, but no self-respecting holiday table is complete without a centerpiece. "I've seen rooms with the best linens and crystals, but they're not alive until you drop the flowers on the table," says Michael Gaffney, founder of the New York School of Flower Design. (He's responsible for the gorgeous arrangements in movies such as "Black Swan.") "I often wonder why, and I think it's because it adds another element to the room. Instead of metals and linens and materials, it adds life."

And let's face it — your guests are going to need some resuscitation from the food coma that's about to go down. So to give our dinner tables a little more pep, Gaffney shows us how to craft a chic yet inexpensive arrangement (you can do this for less than $30).

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Helpful hints

3 TIPS FROM GAFFNEY:

1. Avoid closed buds. Instead, buy roses that look like they're opening.
2. Make this arrangement two to three days before your party.
3. Spray flowers with Floralife Clear Crowning Glory Solution and they'll last up to two weeks.

How-to guide

What you need:
- 2 dozen bi-colored roses
- 1 urn
- Foam

Instructions:
1. Place soaked foam block into the urn. Cut the foam so it's just above the rim. With the extra foam, fill the sides of the urn.
2. Cut the stems of eight roses down so they are about an inch and a half long.
3. Starting at the rim of the urn — what Gaffney refers to as the lower deck — place each of the eight roses into the foam at a 45-degree angle. "It's like setting eight chairs around a table," he says.
4. Cut the stems of three flowers down so they are about eight inches long.
5. Place the three flowers straight down in the center of the foam forming — what Gaffney calls the penthouse.
6. Cut the stems of eight to 10 roses down so they are about five inches long. Place these in between the lower deck and penthouse at a 45-degree angle.
7. Fill in any holes with extra roses.
8. Adjust each layer so you end up with a dome shape.
9. Add pieces of pittosporum or another green flower in any open spaces for the finishing touch.
10. Place on table and wait for compliments.

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Bay State home sales prediction: All-time low

▶ Yes, you may be seeing more of these — but that can't change the fact that the first months of the year were horrible for home sales.

Despite an increasing number of home sales, this year will still likely be the worst in two decades

Bay State home sales in September rose for the third consecutive month but analysts still predict that 2011 will likely have the worst sales numbers in two decades.

In September, 3,482 single-family homes sold in Massachusetts, up from 3,267 in September 2010, according to The Warren Group, publishers of Banker & Tradesman. Sales increased approximately 10 percent in the third quarter of this year compared to the same time period in 2010, but year-to-date sales are still down 10 percent.

"It's encouraging to see another month of sales increases. However, sales volume remains low because we are comparing to a period last year when sales dropped off after the tax credits expired," says Timothy M. Warren Jr., CEO of The Warren Group. "At this rate, it is almost certain that 2011 sales volume will be one of the slowest years in recent memory."

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The median price of a single-family home increased to $289,950, a 0.5 percent jump from last year's September. However, this is the first time since April that the median price statewide plummeted below $300,000, according to The Warren Group. Overall, the year-to-date sales price was also lower — dropping 1.3 percent from 2010.

In September, condo sales declined 2.6 percent from 2010 and year-to-date sales showed a 20 percent decline. The median condo price, however, increased almost 5 percent, according to the study.

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Sales

Single-family home sales in the Bay State

Sept. 2011	Sept. 2010
3,482	3,267

Year-to-date totals

2011	2010
11,308	14,158

SOURCE: THE WARREN GROUP

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HOW TO SELL THEN BUY A NEW HOME

By Attorney George Warshaw

Many real estate attorneys have seen a sharp increase in new purchases these last four weeks. While none of us is expecting a housing miracle, it's a good idea to review one simple, basic tenet for those selling their homes or condos and then buying a replacement property.

The most important advice I give clients is, "don't do it all on the same day." There's too much that can go wrong. A delay in your sale could seriously jeopardize your purchase.

There are many things that often happen right before the closing that one extra day can fix. What would you do if a last minute repair is needed, the house isn't broom clean, a lien is discovered, or the movers don't show up – and your buyers refuse to close?

Or as I have more recently experienced, the bank is too busy to get the loan documents to the closing attorney on the day of the closing. Believe it not, it has been happening.

Quite simply, you need to build in a margin for error.

So "sell on one day and buy on the next." Leave the furniture on the truck overnight if you can. You'll avoid an elevated heart rate!

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